

For Immediate Release

Tuesday, September 11, 2001

Airport Closed to Public Until Further Notice

The Greater Rochester International Airport has now been fully closed to the public, Airport Director Terrance G. Slaybaugh announced today at 2:30 p.m., and non-essential personnel have been sent home.

The airport received two flights diverted from other airports, and the passengers from both have been bused to their destinations in Hartford, CT, and Boston, MA.

No one other than airport and airline personnel with the appropriate security credentials will be permitted to enter airport grounds until air service is resumed. The FAA announced that there would be no commercial air service in the United States until at least noon on Wednesday, September 12, 2001.

Passengers who are scheduled on departing flights on Wednesday are urged to check and confirm their flight information with their airline prior to leaving for the airport.

Also this afternoon, county officials announced that the Civic Center Garage downtown will not be open for daily parking and will reopen on Wednesday to monthly keycard customers only.

All Monroe County Offices are expected to open for normal business on Wednesday.

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